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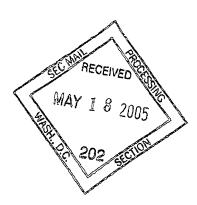
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# News release

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## BAA announces 0.8% increase in April 2005 traffic figures

BAA's seven UK airports handled 11.5 million passengers in April, an increase of 0.8% on the same month last year. The lower than usual growth was primarily the result of the early Easter. Underlying growth, calculated by combining March and April figures to eliminate the Easter timing effect, was 4.2%.

Despite the Easter effect, the only major area to show a decline in April compared to the same month last year, was the short haul charter market (-21%). European scheduled traffic was up 1.8%, North Atlantic traffic was unchanged, while Other Long Haul routes continued a trend of strong growth with a 6.9% gain. Domestic services attracted 1% more passengers.

All the airports were impacted by the early Easter. Heathrow dipped 0.8% while Gatwick recorded a gain of 0.5%, helped by growing low cost services and new long haul routes. Stansted gained 3.4%, while new routes and additional frequencies at Southampton enabled a 19.5% increase. At BAA's three Scottish airports a combined increase of 2.9% was recorded. Edinburgh recorded a 3.9% increase, Glasgow 0.7%, and Aberdeen 5.8%.

BAA's airports handled 2.7% more air transport movements in April, while cargo tonnage was 4.6% higher than a year ago.

For further information on BAA plc see www.baa.com

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**BAA Traffic Summary: April 2005** 

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Terminal		%	12 months to	%
Passengers (000s)	Month	Change*	April 05	Change**
Heathrow	5,573.0	-0.8	67,610.5	4.0
Gatwick	2,438.1	0.5	32,018.6	5.9
Stansted	1,759.4	3.4	21,225.7	7.0
London Area Total	9,770.5	0.2	120,854.9	5.0
Southampton	145.7	19.5	1,573.7	12.0
Glasgow	641.1	0.7	8,617.5	5.3
Edinburgh	688.3	3.9	8,071.6	5.7
Aberdeen	232.2	5.8	2,702.2	6.2
Scottish Total	1,561.6	2.9	19,391.3	5.6
BAA Total	11,477.9	0.8	141,819.8	5.2

Air Transport		%	12 months to	%
Movements	Month	Change*	April 05	Change**
Heathrow	39,096	1.4	470,084	1.6
Gatwick	19,724	4.7	245,983	4.6
Stansted	14,584	-1.1	176,636	0.4
London Area Total	73,404	1.7	892,703	2.2
Southampton	3,619	19.7	38,558	8.8
Glasgow	7,438	0.7	93,527	4.7
Edinburgh	9,765	1.9	112,747	3.8
Aberdeen	7,382	9.3	84,868	7.1
Scottish Total	24,585	3.7	291,142	5.0
BAA Total	101,608	2.7	1,222,403	3.0

Cargo		%	12 months to	%
(Metric Tonnes)	Month	Change*	April 05	Change**
Heathrow	108,058	3.1	1,326,740	7.5
Gatwick	17,869	-3.0	215,596	-3.8
Stansted	21,490	22.5	232,459	10.7
London Area Total	147,417	4.7	1,774,795	6.4
Southampton	18	-18.2	257	-15.5
Glasgow	569	1.8	8,663	41.6
Edinburgh	2,251	-0.5	28,139	7.3
Aberdeen	321	14.2	3,914	10.9
Scottish Total	3,141	1.2	40,716	13.5
BAA Total	150,576	4.6	1,815,768	6.5

Above data excludes Air Taxi passengers and Air Taxi movements.

<sup>\*</sup> compared to the month of April 2004

<sup>\*\*</sup> compared to the twelve months to April 2004



# Market Comparison: April 2005

	BAA Total	BAA Total	
Market	April 04	April 05	
	(000s)	(000s)	% Change
Domestic	2,247	2,270	1.0
Eire	531	558	5.1
European Scheduled	4,607	4,692	1.8
European Charter*	766	607	-20.8
North Atlantic	1,565	1,565	0.0
Other Long Haul	1,670	1,787	6.9
Total	11,386	11,478	0.8

<sup>\*</sup> includes North African Charter

Note: Origins and destinations are classified according to ultimate origin or destination of aircraft in the case of multi sector flights

Note: Figures for the market sectors have been rounded. Totals as per Traffic Summary.